

***Update #2* Troopers Investigating Report of Shots Fired- Christiana Mall**

Newark- The Delaware State Police continue to investigate the incident that was reported as shots being fired last evening at the Christiana Mall.

The incident occurred on Friday, December 21, 2018 at approximately 8:37 p.m., when the State Police received a report of shots being fired at the Christiana Mall located at 132 Christina Mall, Newark. Troopers who were already on site as part of the regularly scheduled security detail and the Christiana Mall Security Officers immediately began to follow safety protocols and procedures. During the response, there were various reports of the suspects being at different businesses. With the assistance of multiple surrounding agencies, the building was evacuated and secured, and traffic was diverted away from the area. A search of the building as well as the surrounding area was conducted and deemed safe.

Further investigation revealed that there was a large fight between multiple subjects. During this incident, a glass container broke and a metal sign fell to the floor. Patrons and employees immediately began fleeing the area. There has been no evidence recovered of any weapons being present or discharged. At this time, it appears that the fight within the mall is the cause of the mass exit of patrons and employees.

Various reports of minor injuries have been made by victims that occurred while fleeing the mall.

The Christiana Mall remains open during regularly scheduled holiday hours at this time.

This case continues to remain under investigation and anyone with information is asked to contact Troop 2, Detective Ripple at (302) 365-8438. Information may also be provided by calling Delaware crime stoppers at 1-800-TIP-3333 or via the internet at <http://www.delaware.crimestoppersweb.com>

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